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A formal dance was held at the Plaza Hall Thanksgiving night. Among those seen were "Bebe" Murphy with Eddie Smith, Joan Canning with Mike Walsh — Jayne Foley, "Chuck" Aylward, Virginia Gerhardt, Dave Brennan, Rosemary Straffuss, and Jimmy Tierney whirling around the floor — Intermission — sipping cokes at Watkins, Grace Brown, Ray Cushing, Margie Fagan, Gil Burdick — Barbara Brennan, Eddie Birmingham, Patsy Rafter and Jack Sanderson — after intermission the more energetic ones came back for more—Rosalie Dunn, Tommy O'Connor, Maggie Ryan, Ray Hence, Lolita Russell, Vince Sterner — Pat Budinger, Harold Bradley, Mary Loschke and Charlie Male.

Questionaire of the Month:

What little Junior reads everyone's paper for them in English class?

What senior is constantly amusing the typing class by her sudden outbursts when she makes a mistake?

What dark haired freshman, when the teacher said in English "What is always neuter," raised her hand and said, "blackboard"?

Evelyn Schwalenberg entertained with a dinner dance at the Kansas City Club Saturday night. Among those present were Geraldine Sulzer, John O'Connor, Mary Doyle and Walter Wells — Norma Lee and Barbara Ladd with Hugh Wolfe (oo-oo-o) and Jack Downs respectively.

Hit Parade

"Oh, the Pity of It All"—gas rationing.

"Jim"—Jo Ann Sweeney.

"Mr. Five by Five"—Mary Fennesy.

"Who Calls?"—Rose Marie Carrolla every afternoon around 12:15.

"I Cried for You"—nylon hose.

"Just Plain Lonesome"—Marybeth Malsie.

"There Are Such Things"—Joan Marie Bryan.

"On the Street of Dreams"—a car with four tires.

Things we like — Theresa Olson's eyebrows . . . Mary Ellen Pendergast's chatter in sewing class . . . Jayne Foley's hair-cut . . . Jo Ann Sweeney's baggy blue cardigan . . . "I Had the Craziest Dream Last Night" . . . Barbara Nigro's height . . . Patsy Rafter's gold chain.

During rehearsals of the senior play we wondered if . . . Virginia Gregory could learn to say "sheer charm" and "bulbs" . . . Katie Crooks could control her giggles for one night . . . Alice O'Gara would fall down the steps . . . opening night would be as terrible as dress rehearsal.

Virginia and Patsy.

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Chem Students Will Represent Academy In Science Exam

Theresa Gallagher, Virginia Gerhardt, Pat Ryan and Mary Beth Malsie to Participate

Theresa Gallagher, Virginia Gerhardt, Pat Ryan, and Marybeth Malsie, seniors, will represent the academy in the annual Science Club Search, sponsored by the Science Clubs of America.

The Science Talent Search is being conducted by the Science Clubs of America, administered by Science Service. Purpose of the Search is to discover and help develop scientific talent that will be of value to the nation in war and in peace.

Forty boys and girls who lead in the preliminary examinations will be given all-expense trips to Washington to attend the Science Talent Search and to take the final examination. Two contestants, one boy and one girl, will be selected by a board of judges, on the basis of written and oral examinations, to receive Westinghouse Science Grand Scholarships of \$2,400 each (\$600 per year for four years). Eight more contestants will receive Westinghouse Science Scholarships of \$400 (\$100 a year for four years) and \$3,000 additional in Scholarships will be awarded.

As part of the preliminary examinations, each contestant will submit an essay of about 1,000 words on the subject "Science's Next Great Step Ahead."

Victory Corps Meets Student War Effort

The academy will soon organize a victory corps. This organization will prepare every student for essential community services during the emergency.

Since every high school is a potential source of trained manpower, everything is being done to develop it. Each student will be in the General Membership group. Juniors and seniors who qualify can participate in the Community Service also. Miss Pauline Reardon is in charge of establishing the corps.

Semester Exams

The semester exams will last only the length of the regular period for class work, and will be held on the 20th and 21st of January. As in previous years, January 22nd, the day between semesters, will be a holiday.



Freshmen Subscribe To Pro Parvulis

Barbara Jean Smith, freshman class president, has announced that the first-year students have subscribed to the Pro Parvulis Book Club. During the coming year four outstanding books by Catholic authors, selected by the club, will be sent to the subscribers. The books will be given to the academy library.

The present junior class was the first to adopt the idea of a Pro Parvulis subscription. Alverna Skidmore was president of the class who initiated the subscription. They received such best-sellers as *My Friend Flicka*, and *The Song of Bernadette*.

Other freshman officers are Peggy McGee, vice-president; Beverly Tschann, secretary; and Kathleen Ryan, treasurer.

E. Walsh and T. Pendergast Judged Winners of Art Club Poster Contest

Ellen Walsh, senior, and Theresa Pendergast, junior, were judged winners in the poster contest conducted by the Art Club. During the past week the posters have been exhibited on the bulletin board.

Both posters were on fashion subjects—Ellen's being of a sport nature, and Theresa's on a formal pattern. Judges were members of the art club.

HONOR ROLL

The honor roll for the first quarter at Saint Teresa's Academy, as announced by the office of the directress, consists of the following:

Seniors: Mary Doyle, Theresa Gallagher, Peggy Jones, Norma Lee, Marybeth Malsie, and Geraldine Sulder; **Juniors:** Barbara Ann Brennan, Katherine Hodes, Mary Lou McConnell, and Theresa Pendergast; **Freshmen:** Shirley Brandt, Peggy Denzer, Ann Marie Desmond, Ruth O'Gara, and Patricia Wren.

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Xmas Program Features Novel Entertainment

Fashion Show and Caroling in Catholic Home is Setting

Christmas carols and a style show headline the yuletide assembly program to be held at one o'clock on December 22 in the auditorium.

The Program

Approximately thirty juniors, sophomores and seniors, members of the sewing classes, will model the clothes they have made since the beginning of school. Pajamas, skirts, blouses, and dresses are included in the finished products. Sister Angela Marie is instructor in sewing.

Within the style show will be the setting of an ideal Catholic home on Christmas Eve. The recitation of scriptural texts and the singing of hymns will provide the proper Christmas atmosphere. The entire assembly will contribute to the Christmas caroling.

Katy Cavanaugh, Betty Casey, Joan Canning, and Theresa Pendergast are preparing the script for the occasion.

Sodality Reception Is Next Tuesday

Tuesday, December 15, approximately twenty-five academy students will be received into the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin. The reception will take place at a missa recitata Mass, offered by the Rev. E. B. Taney, assistant at Visitation church and instructor of religion, at 9:00 a. m., in the college chapel.

Father Albert to Conduct Annual Spiritual Retreat

The annual retreat for the academy students will be given by the Rev. Albert Q. Senn, O.F.M., on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, January 13, 14, and 15. It directly precedes the semester examinations.

Father Albert is well-known to the academy students. He is the director of the diocesan youth choir, which is at present rehearsing for a gigantic program to be given in conjunction with the Kansas City Philharmonic Orchestra in January. Father is missioned at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Kansas City.

They Are Human

Snowflakes are much like humans. Not one looks like another and each seems to have her own temperament — for they must be referred to as "her", so feminine and dainty are they. But the manner in which they come here from another world is the most man-like.

Some gallop eagerly downward, anxious to discover for themselves what it is like on this planet called "earth". Others waltz gaily down, happy-go-lucky, enjoying life wherever they may be. But some plod wearily wandering in circles in the air before coming clear to the earth — they were contented where they were and are dubious as to their opportunities here. But, nevertheless, all come.

Which are the happiest — which of the humans they allegorize are happiest, here, and when they reach their real destination?

Mary Lou McConnell, '44.

On That Day

In a cold forgotten stable

On that bleak December night,
God Almighty, sent His Son
To teach us wrong from right.

Swathed in perfect garments,
In a manger damp and cold,
Lay the Infant Jesus
So radiant to behold!

The light that shone from Heaven
Shed its tidings far and near,
To guide the shepherds of the hills
In wonder to appear.

With gifts of gold and frankincense
The wise men came to pray;
And angels' voices filled the air
On that resplendent day.

Katherine Hodes, '44.

It Means

Christmas—the very mention of the word makes my heart beat faster. Just what does Christmas mean?

It means the wrapping of gifts in holiday paper. It means the clean, spicy smell of greens decorating the mantel. The hanging of brightly colored balls and shimmering tinsel all add to the festivity of this Joyous Season . . . the excitement on Christmas morning unwrapping your gifts. As you awake you remember the beautiful Christmas Mass you attended last evening.

All the joy and excitement in our hearts is due to our dear Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Though the birth of the little Prince of Peace took place over 1900 years ago, each year the commemoration of this great event is the renewal of that supreme joy found only at the Crib.

Barbara Jean Smith, '46

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